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### LETTER PLEDGES GERMAN ARMY SUPPORT TO AUSTRIA.

William's Approval of Bosnian Annexation Delivered to Francis Joseph at Budapest—Turkey Also Rejects the Franco-Russo-British Programme.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

VIENNA, Oct. 16.—The Emperor William is the first sovereign to reply to the Emperor Francis Joseph's letter announcing the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria. Herr von Tschirchsky, the German Ambassador, had a special audience with the Austrian Emperor at Budapest to-day and presented the Kaiser's letter to Francis Joseph. It is reported that the letter approves the annexation and promises to support it by Germany's diplomacy and if necessary with all her military assistance.

Although no authorized official statement can be obtained regarding the British, Russian and French agreement, it is known that Austria has not receded from her first position, which was that she would have nothing to do with any conference if it was proposed to review her annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Moreover, she has not the slightest intention of compensating Serbia.

These views are supported by the newspapers. The *Algemeine Zeitung* naively asks where the compensations to Serbia and Montenegro are to come from if they are not to be at Turkey's cost. The *Freiburger*, the mouthpiece of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, severely condemns the British press for sowing distrust of Austria and for representing the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina as a serious injury to Turkey.

It says it is not to be expected that Austria will subordinate the permanent objects of her Eastern policy to Great Britain's momentary desires.

BERLIN, Oct. 16.—Laying stress on the view that the British, Russian and French programme cannot be discussed as indicating the scope of the proposed European conference, it is intimated in official circles here that Germany is likely to reject every proposal to which Austria objects, and equally, although Austria may approve, will reject any which Turkey does not accept.

The newspapers criticised adversely the triple scheme, all making the point that Great Britain has deserted Turkey for the purpose of promoting closer Russo-British relations. The *Post*, which is guided by the opinions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, says, after criticising the scheme sharply:

"After the experience at Algiers and The Hague the Powers cannot be offended if we do not show much enthusiasm over an international conference. Germany's best programme is to keep her powder dry and her sword sharpened."

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 16.—Grand Vizier Kiamil Pasha presided to-night at a special council of the Ministers to discuss the British, Russian and French programme. No ministerial opinion can yet be obtained, but in many directions deep disappointment is expressed, especially at the proposals regarding compensations.

Owing to the lynching here of the Greeks by Kurds on Wednesday and the recent activities of the reactionaries, three battalions of the Third Army Corps have been ordered here to help the police.

As a result of Austria's renewed protest the Government has notified the local authorities not to countenance the boycott and to facilitate the landing of foreign goods. This has not operated to lessen the native hostility, the latest phase of which is an attempt to exclude Austrian sugar which would be a severer blow than any yet dealt. The German, British and Italian trade rivals of the Austrians are taking the utmost advantage of the situation.

The staff of the Pera Palace Hotel struck because some Austrian travellers were admitted. The manager was at his wits' end to provide service and food for his 120 guests.

Reports from the provinces show continued growth of the boycott movement. The Mayor of Smyrna has sent a letter to the local press urging Moslems not to buy "Austrian rubbish."

The Government has become disquieted again by the reports of Bulgarian military measures. It has sent a circular letter to its representatives abroad directing them to call the attention of the Powers to these measures. It declares that Turkey wishes peace, but if Bulgaria persists in her present activities Turkey must reluctantly prepare against them, and if a clash results she will not be responsible for it.

SOFIA, Oct. 16.—Bulgaria has replied to Germany and Austria, refusing to accept their view that she should obtain Turkey's consent before negotiating with the Orient Railway Company.

PARIS, Oct. 16.—The *Times* publishes an interview with Naoum Pasha, the Turkish Ambassador, in which he says he has received no communication from the Porte, but speaking personally he regards the triple programme with disfavor. When Turkey sent her circular note to the Powers, he adds, she only raised the Bulgarian question, but now this was only one item in the total, and Turkey was expected to pay all costs.

Continuing, he said: "Where are the compensations so much talked of? Surely it will not be pretended that they can be found in the article dealing with the capitulations. What is meant by advantages to be granted to Serbia? Are they to be at Turkey's expense? We could not consent to that, nor would Austria."

"Moreover I cannot conceive how the straits question can be solved by Russia and Turkey. It is a European question. Summing up the programme, it does not answer our question, but raises others to which we cannot reply."

Lieut. Jemal and Dr. Nazim, delegates to Paris from the Young Turk party, declared in interviews here to-day that Turkey would never accept such a programme as was published yesterday purporting to be that agreed upon by Russia, Great Britain and France for the conference on Near East affairs.

They said it assailed not only the prestige of constitutional Turkey but the integrity of the Ottoman Empire. The Powers, they declared, could not impose

## LAUGHING GAS KILLS HIM.

George Quayle of Morristown Dies in Dentist Hasbroeck's Chair.

George Quayle, a retired merchant who lived at Morristown, N. J., died while under the influence of nitrous oxide gas administered to him yesterday afternoon by Dr. James F. Hasbroeck, one of the best known dental specialists in New York. Death occurred while Mr. Quayle was lying in the operating chair in Dr. Hasbroeck's office at 62 West Thirty-ninth street.

Mr. Quayle, who was 66 years old, had been advised to consult Dr. Hasbroeck for treatment of an abscessed tooth. After Dr. Hasbroeck had given him an examination yesterday preparatory to administering the laughing gas, as nitrous oxide is popularly called, he placed him in the chair.

At first the patient seemed to respond normally to the influence of the gas, but presently Dr. Hasbroeck noted that his pulse ran very low. The dentist suspended the operation that he had begun and applied restoratives, but Mr. Quayle could not be restored to consciousness and soon died.

Dr. O'Hanlon said that the gas Dr. Hasbroeck had administered was considered innocuous. Not one man in 15,000 was known to have succumbed to nitrous oxide when administered as an anesthetic. In his fourteen years experience he had never encountered such a case before. He was of the opinion that Mr. Quayle must have been a sufferer from some acute heart trouble or a peculiarly virulent nervous disorder.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Oct. 16.—George Hallett Quayle was 66 years old. For ten years he had suffered from rheumatism and had been unable to follow his profession of accountant. He was well known in Morristown, where he had spent all of his life. He was a brother of former Mayor Edward A. Quayle. He leaves a family.

## WARLIKE MOVEMENTS.

Servia Advances Troops; Montenegro Ready to Strike; Servia Feverish.

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VIENNA, Oct. 16.—It is reported that Servia has concentrated 5,000 troops on the Bosnian frontier. A battalion has been moved from Nish to Belgrade to guard bridges and tunnels.

It is rumored that Montenegro is preparing to invade Novibazar, which would compel Turkey to send troops to defend the sandjak.

BELGRADE, Servia, Oct. 16.—The recrudescence of warlike excitement and violent anti-Austrian demonstrations are the most dangerous features of the anti-Austrian boycott, which seems to have taken firm hold and is spreading throughout all the Balkan States.

The Austrian merchants have not only lost their trade but run considerable personal risk. Several of their shops have been rushed and the contents destroyed.

NELLIE'S PENNY GOT NO GUM.

So Here's a Slot Machine Arrest—Parkhurst Men Malingers.

Nine-year-old Nellie Cattoli of 432 Second avenue went into the candy store of Mrs. Rosie Roengarten at 488 Second avenue last night and put a penny into one of the Big and Little Tim Sullivan slot machines that frequently give up small pieces of gum. The machine didn't in this case and when the little girl started to cry Gerry Agent Jennings, who has been on the trail of the Sullivan machines, arrested Mrs. Roengarten for corrupting the morals of children and sent Nellie to the society rooms.

Detectives of the Charles street station and Robert McClintock of the Parkhurst society hunted evidence of slot machine gambling last night. Five machines found in front of candy stores on Horatio, Gansevoort and Little West Tenth streets were confiscated and the proprietors arrested and charged with gambling.

The machines belonged to the New England Slot Machine Company of 64 Market street, Lynn, Mass. On them was inscribed "No blanks, no gambling. You get what you pay for." None of them was in the neighborhood of a school.

## FIGHT OVER THAW'S TRANSFER.

Threats to Take Dr. Lamb to Pittsburgh in Custody of a U. S. Marshal.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Oct. 16.—The long fight over the transfer of Harry K. Thaw to the jurisdiction of the United States Court in Pennsylvania has reached a stage where peremptory action may be expected at any moment.

Charles Moroschauer, Thaw's attorney, said this morning that he was assured that if Thaw did not leave for Pittsburgh on Sunday Dr. Robert Lamb, superintendent of the Matteawan State Hospital, would leave for that city on Monday in custody of a United States Marshal.

Judge Archbold's writ contains a provision for the "safe return of the prisoner" to the jurisdiction of the New York courts. Thaw will be looked up after his arrival in Pittsburgh if he goes there. This will not prevent the institution of habeas corpus proceedings and Thaw's detention in Pennsylvania until a decision is reached.

## MINGO SANDERS MAY WIN.

Secretary Wright Will Soon Act on the New Applications for Reenlistment.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Secretary of War Wright will in a few days act upon the application for reenlistment of First Sergeant Mingo Sanders of Company B, Twenty-fifth United States Infantry, who was discharged without honor from the army with the battalion which was mustered out for alleged participation in the shooting up of Brownsville, Tex., on the night of August 13-14, 1906.

In accordance with President Roosevelt's public announcement last winter that he would approve the reenlistment of those discharged soldiers who would submit proof that they had not participated in the riot Mingo Sanders several weeks ago formally applied for reenlistment and made affidavits in which he swore that he did not take part in the affair and had no knowledge, direct or indirect, of the perpetrators. It is understood that the President will approve the reenlistment of Sanders.

## THIRDLICENSEGRAFTARREST

POLICEMAN TILLMAN IS ACCUSED OF PERJURY.

Hint That He May Make Some Revelations Involving a More Important Police Officer—Testimony as to Payments for Moving Picture Licenses.

The third arrest of a policeman as a result of the license bureau investigation was made yesterday afternoon. The prisoner, who was taken as he was leaving the City Hall after testifying before Commissioner Mitchell, is Arthur C. Tillman of the Jamaica precinct, who has been acting as a plain clothes detective.

He was arrested by a detective from the District Attorney's office on the order of Assistant District Attorney Murphy, who has been present at the hearing.

Tillman at first denied all the charges made against him, but later asked for a private conference with the commissioner. He was taken to a private room with the Commissioner and Mr. Murphy. After they came out all that the Commissioner would say was that he was not satisfied with Tillman's statement to him and that Tillman would have another chance to tell more on Monday when the hearing is resumed.

Immediately after Tillman's arrest a rumor spread that Tillman had squealed on some one higher up. Commissioner Mitchell was asked if Tillman had implicated any one else and declined to say. Asked if it was true that a police inspector was involved, Commissioner Mitchell said that he could not say at this time.

Tillman was arrested on a charge of perjury in connection with testimony given in the morning by Francis Edwards, a Brooklyn man, who testified that he had paid a policeman money. Tillman denied Edwards' testimony, and it was on that charge that he was arrested.

Edwards, who lives at 351 Fulton street, Jamaica, said that he ran a moving picture show at that place and that when he bought the show the previous owner told him that it was customary to pay \$25 a month to the "Police Department."

He said that after buying the place he continued to pay the money to a policeman known to him as "Roundsmen Tillman." The witness said that his wife was often present when he paid the money over.

"What conversation did you have with the policeman when you first paid him the money?" asked Mr. Mitchell.

"He said it was a shame," replied Mr. Edwards.

"What! A shame to take the money?" questioned the commissioner.

"No, simply a shame that I had to pay it. I gathered that he was collecting for some one higher up, and subsequently he told me that my guess was correct."

"Why did you have to pay it?" was asked.

"There was some trouble about running Sundays."

Mrs. Edwards substantiated her husband's testimony.

After Tillman had been released on the bail of \$1,000 by Magistrate Droegge at the request of Mr. Murphy he was taken to Police Headquarters, where Commissioner Mitchell, Third Deputy Commissioner Hanson and Capt. Patrick J. Tracy of the Jamaica precinct were waiting.

A conference was then held which did not break up until 8 o'clock. Deputy Commissioner Hanson declined to make any statement, but an order was immediately issued temporarily suspending Capt. Tracy from duty and a formal set of charges will be made against him to-day.

This was taken to mean that Tillman had told all that he knew and that Capt. Tracy is concerned in the matter, although the formal charges will not be known until Commissioner Bingham makes them public.

In the hearings thus far held before Commissioner Mitchell reference has frequently been made to two other policemen whose identity is as yet unknown, but it was said last night at Headquarters that both of these men will be before Commissioner Mitchell on Monday. Dennis Sweeney is the inspector of the district which takes in the Jamaica precinct.

Abel Fanchi, a moving picture man of 304 Eighth avenue, said that he had paid D'Amato \$50 for a concert license valued at \$150 and when he came to have it renewed he paid D'Amato \$50 more in cash and promised to add \$25 to that.

One of the witnesses admitted that he had made out licenses for Sgt. Bird, who is now under arrest. A policeman named Grady was also mentioned yesterday, but nothing was brought out to show in what connection the commissioner is interested in him.

Yesterday's testimony also showed that the records of the bureau have not been properly kept. There are no records of the original licenses in many cases where renewals have been given.

## EARLY CLOSING FOR BERLIN.

Not So Very Early, but It Will Cost \$120 to Be Open After 8 P. M. From Nov. 1 On.

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BERLIN, Oct. 16.—The police administration has issued a remarkable order directing all the shopkeepers of the city and the suburbs to close their shops not later than 8 P. M. daily from November 1.

No exceptions are allowed. The maximum penalty for not complying with the order is 600 marks fine (\$150) or a day's imprisonment for every ten marks thereof which cannot be recovered.

## RUSH TIME BRIDGE TRIP.

Fire on Elevated Structure in Brooklyn Delays Evening Crowds.

There was a bad break in the Brooklyn Bridge service in the rush hour last night. A fire was discovered at 8:25 on the elevated structure at Sands street, Brooklyn, due to the grounding of a charged rail.

The bridge terminals were crowded then, and in the half hour it took the firemen to quench the blaze the bridge police had their hands full. The gates to the platforms were closed, but an enormous crowd was on the platforms then and had little chance to move homeward when the electric current was shut off so as to enable the firemen to get at the flames.

However, the power was put on long enough to run the trains that were on the bridge together, and the passengers were allowed to walk through them to the terminals, where they got transfers to the trolley lines.

## ROOSEVELT GOING TO OXFORD.

The "Times" Hears He'll Lecture There and Get Same Degree as the Kaiser.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. LONDON, Oct. 17.—The *Times* prints the following conspicuously:

"We are informed that after the conclusion of his hunting trip in Africa, early in 1910, Mr. Roosevelt will spend some time in England. He has promised to deliver the Romanes lecture at Oxford, and the university, it is expected, will confer on him the same honorary degree as is held by Emperor William."

"Besides the Oxford lecture Mr. Roosevelt will make an address at the Sorbonne, Paris. Neither the exact dates nor the subjects of these lectures are yet known."

"According to present plans Mrs. Roosevelt will join Mr. Roosevelt at Kharoum on the latter's journey northward."

The *Times* says editorially that Mr. Roosevelt will be welcomed with sincere pleasure and interest by the whole British public. "It would be difficult," it goes on, "if not impossible, to name a guest who would be assured of a heartier and more genuine welcome by all classes of the population. The pleasure will be all the greater if Mrs. Roosevelt accompanies him. Oxford will undoubtedly welcome him with peculiar warmth."

The Kaiser is an honorary LL. D. of Oxford.

## STORM DELAYED THE FLEET.

Severe Blow Encountered Monday and Tuesday—One Sailor Wounded.

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TOKYO, Oct. 17.—The United States battleship fleet is at last in touch with Yokohama. It will not reach that port until to-morrow Sunday morning.

The delay is due to a terrific storm through which the fleet passed on October 12 and 13 off the northern coast of the island of Luzon of the Philippine group.

One man was drowned and the ships suffered some minor damage during the blow.

The escort squad, consisting of the cruiser Soya, scout cruiser Sagami and torpedo boat Tatsu, under command of Rear Admiral Murakami, will leave Yokohama this afternoon to meet the American fleet.

The announcement in yesterday's papers that there was reason to fear there would be a delay in the arrival of the fleet caused some consternation in Tokyo and Yokohama. The delay will seriously upset the programme of festivities that has been arranged. Officers of the Japanese navy who have taken an active part in the preparations have been in constant consultation with Commander John A. Dougherty, the naval attaché at the American Embassy.

The dinner arranged by Commander-in-Chief Ijin for Saturday and the reception on board the *Makasa* to follow the dinner has been postponed until Friday, October 23. The dinner given by Rear Admiral Sperry will take place the following day and it is expected that the fleet will leave on Sunday, October 25, instead of the preceding day.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 16.—Advices from Amoy report that a typhoon did considerable damage yesterday and that the building erected by the Government for the reception of the officers and men of the American battleship fleet has been destroyed. Dr. Mark, a member of the reception committee, says that the havoc caused will be repaired before the fleet arrives. Many of the buildings in the city were badly damaged and the electric lighting plant was seriously injured.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—No official information was received either at the State or Navy Department regarding the rumors typewritten at Amoy, China. The Atlantic battleship fleet, which is now approaching Yokohama, is about 650 miles from Amoy, and it is possible that the fleet is within the storm area.

## LIEUT. GRAETZ IN RHODESIA.

German Crossing Africa by Auto Comes Through Forest Fires to Wankie.

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SALISBURY, Rhodesia, Oct. 16.—Lieut. Graetz of the German army, who for months has been making an effort to cross Africa in a specially constructed automobile, has reached Wankie, Rhodesia. He had a bad time since he was last reported.

He lost his way between Victoria Falls and Wankie and wandered for seven days without seeing a single human being. His worst experience was when he was overtaken by a bush fire. The whole plain was flame and he was soon surrounded by flames as high as a house.

He tried to dash through, but soon the spokes of the automobile's wheels were caught entangled in the herbage and were burned to the rims. Lieut. Graetz's clothing and hair were singed.

He feared momentarily an explosion of his petrol. He escaped with his life by a hair's breadth.

Later he suffered terrible thirst in the arid wilderness.

## LIMIT OF QUEENSBORO BRIDGE.

Engineers Decide That Eight Railroad Tracks Will Be Two Too Many.

The Queensboro Bridge will not be strong enough structurally to permit the running of eight railroad tracks, it was declared yesterday at the offices of the Department of Bridges. When the plans for the bridge were first drawn provision was made for six tracks, but they were changed later to provide for eight tracks. The engineers of the department have now satisfied themselves that it would be unwise to impose a greater burden on the bridge than it was first designed to bear.

They have reached this conclusion on a report which will be made by Messrs. Burr, Boller and Hodges, who were retained by the Bridge Commissioner to test the structure. These experts will report that while the bridge has no structural weakness it would be a mistake to run more than six tracks.

## PHIL DAILY III.

Phil Daily was taken with an epileptic fit last night in front of the New York Theatre. An ambulance was called from Roosevelt Hospital, and accompanied by his physician, Dr. Birmingham of 106 West Forty-fifth street, Daily was taken to his apartments at the New Grand Hotel.

## MUZZLE FOR MISS STRACHAN

MAXWELL ASKS HER NOT TO SPEAK AT BUDGET EXHIBIT.

And She Won't, but Gives an Idea of What She Intended to Say—Superintendent Thinks It Isn't Proper for Servants of Board to Talk on Teachers' Salaries.

Allan Robinson, chairman of the committee in charge of the budget exhibit which the Taxpayers' Association is giving at 165 Broadway, said last night that Miss Grace Strachan, who is a district school superintendent and was scheduled as a speaker at the meeting this morning, would be unable to appear.

Robinson gave out copies of a letter he had written to William H. Maxwell, Superintendent of Schools, in which he said:

Referring to your conversation with me over the telephone to-day in which you stated that you considered our action in having invited Miss Grace Strachan to address the budget exhibit was improper I beg to say that the matter of the teachers' salaries and of the entire school budget is one in which the taxpayers of this city are vitally interested.

We want to know both sides of this question and we propose to seek every means in our power to ascertain what the truth is. If Miss Strachan is able to present any reasons why such an increase should properly be made we have a right to know what these reasons are. I feel very strongly, therefore, that your attitude in condemning us for asking her to address the meeting to-morrow is very extraordinary.

Miss Strachan said last night at her home, 69 Montague street, Brooklyn, that she had withdrawn her promise to appear at the meeting in deference to Mr. Maxwell's wishes.

"Mr. Maxwell called me up on the telephone to-day," she said, "and said that in his opinion our action on my part would, owing to the fact that I was an employee of the Board of Education, be highly improper. I told him that in accepting the invitation of the committee I had not thought of myself as an employee of the Board of Education, but as the representative of the Interborough Association of Women Teachers. As this statement did not appear to affect his view of the case I told him that I would, of course, yield to his judgment."

As for the speech which she had proposed to make to the taxpayers, she said it had been her intention to put before the audience in some detail the changes desired by the Interborough Association of Women Teachers in the present salary schedule. These changes, she said, would involve an additional expenditure of about \$200,000. It was not her intention to make any appeal to the taxpayers to advocate at once the setting aside of that amount for that purpose but she wished to have the opportunity of explaining to them the injustice to which the women teachers were subjected.

The budget submitted by the Board of Education met with her approval, she said, in so far as it increased the salaries of women teachers. She objected strongly, however, to any increase in the salaries of men, who were already receiving more than women for the same work. She specified in particular an item of \$100,000 for increasing the salaries of men high school teachers.

"If I were not fearful for the effect on the standing of the Interborough," concluded Miss Strachan, "I should be tempted to keep my engagement to speak at to-morrow's meeting, for of course Mr. Maxwell has no authority over me in the matter. My deferring to him regarding it is merely an act of courtesy on my part."

Mr. Maxwell said last night that he certainly did think it would be highly improper for Miss Strachan to address the taxpayers' association on the subject of teachers' salaries.

"It is not the province of the servants of the Board of Education to make any public speeches regarding affairs of the board," he continued, "and I myself have for that reason refused to address the association." He said he didn't know anything about the Interborough Association of Women Teachers.

## PARIS HEARS MENELIK IS DEAD.

Unconfirmed Rumor Says Trouble Has Resulted in Abyssinia.

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PARIS, Oct. 17.—The *Paris Journal* says that news has been received, which as yet lacks official confirmation, that Menelik, the Negus or Emperor of Abyssinia, is dead. His death, the reports say, has been followed by grave troubles.

## CHALLENGING COLLEGE MEN.

Democratic Committees Opposing Their Applications for Registration.

NEW HAVEN, Oct. 16.—Attorneys for the Democratic committee this afternoon appeared before the Board of Registration and protested against Yale students who have only a temporary residence in New Haven being made voters. Nearly 100 Yale men have been listed to take the elector's oath.

Allan F. Kitchel of East Liverpool, Ohio, an academic senior, appeared before the board. When he said he was a student at Yale the chairman of the committee challenged his right to vote on the ground that he had not been a resident of the State one year and had not been domiciled in New Haven for six months, as the registration law requires.

The board declined to pass upon the merits of the case to-day and there will be a special hearing next Wednesday. Upon the decision in this case will depend whether the other Yale men will press their claims to be made voters. Most of them are Yale men.

Oct. 16.—Twenty-five Cornell students who have sought to vote in this city this fall were challenged by the Democratic registration inspectors to-day and will not be allowed to vote unless County Judge Blood decides in their favor at a hearing to be held next Wednesday. Rumors have been current for some time that students have been voting and the Democratic organization had its lawyers out this morning on the alert.

Several Republican lawyers were also at the registration places early this morning and the registration officials were between crosses. The Democrats argued that under the law not one of the students is an actual resident. The Republicans argued that those who swore that it was their legal residence were entitled to vote.

## FEDERAL JOB FOR SHEPPARD.

President Roosevelt's Appointment of Night Inspector of Customs.

President Roosevelt has appointed Mr. W. Sheppard, the half mile runner, to the post of night inspector of customs at the port of Philadelphia. The Civil Service examination necessary for the job was waived by the President. The job is not the result of any political pull, but simply a matter of recognition on the part of Mr. Roosevelt.

In the early part of this year Sheppard tried for patrolman on the New York police force and was rejected by the medical examiners on account of heart and kidney trouble. It was said, Sheppard's appointment will be a loss of some part of his appointment to the Irish American Athletic Club. If he takes the place he will have to live in Philadelphia and he can only run where he has a legal residence.

He and She Will Try to Overcome Difficulties—If They Can't Will Wed Anyway.

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ROME, Oct. 16.—The Duke of Abruzzi has confided to a friend that he is very greatly amused at the newspaper talk about his engagement. He said he was determined to marry Miss Elkins and that he would do so immediately if he could.

There were still, however, difficulties to overcome, he said. The King, although he had not opposed the match, considered his (the Duke's) feeling for Miss Elkins a passing passion. Hence he was making delays in the hope that it would wear off.

But the Duke said both he and Miss Elkins were willing to wait. When, however, their patience had been exhausted they would marry even if the existing difficulties had not been overcome.

## MARGARET ILLINGTON ILL.

Will Be Unable to